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## S-4 Trans: Legs for visitors

Story and photo by  
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Most offices in the U.S. Army have their own drivers, which enable the office members to travel where their duties take them. However, if officers and distinguished visitors come from other countries, they would need a driver who is accustomed to the local area. If there are no drivers for these visitors, they will have immense trouble performing their duties. The S-4 Transportation office provides skilled drivers for these visitors and by this, supports the missions of distinguished visitors.

"The main role of the S-4 Transportation Office is to receive official requests from those needing drivers, and to send them drivers with the appropriate vehicles," said Sgt. Jo, Sung-moon, 1st squad leader of S-4 Transportation. "In addition to this, we provide drivers to offices where drivers are not available, for example, if a driver is on leave."

S-4 Transportation is composed of about 40 drivers and one U.S. NCOIC who supervises them. It is unique that all the drivers in S-4 Transportation are KATUSA Soldiers, the reason

being, they need to be familiar with the geographical conditions of Korea.

The section is divided into two squads that help to control drivers more efficiently. Each squad has distinct leaders, and the two leaders manage the drivers by assigning them with suitable missions.

During the RSO&I exercise, fifteen drivers came down to Camp Walker, to support the RSO&I mission. The drivers at Camp Walker stand by, prepared for any unexpected missions that may arise.

"During the exercise, we have a lot of unexpected duties," said Jo. "Thus, we are usually ex-

tremely busy. Also, since we deal with unexpected missions most of the times, it makes it mentally and physically difficult since we have to 'be ready for action' all the time." "

Jo also added that they have another mission of evacuating these personnel if something were to arise.

Staff Sgt. Robert Smith, NCOIC of S-4 Transportation, praised the Soldiers of S-4 Transportation for the remarkable efforts that their Soldiers have put in for RSO&I.

"I think the exercise is going very well. The drivers are motivated, dedicated, and doing well in their mission."



*Cpl. Kim, Soo-hyun, driver, S-4 Transportation, conducts a PMCS while Staff Sgt. Robert Smith, NCOIC of S-4 Transportation, checks the oil.*

**Camp Walker is named after...**

Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, former 8th U.S. Army commander. Walker, a highly decorated veteran of World War I and World War II, performed admirably during the Korean War, and his defense of the Nakdong Line is regarded as a military classic. He was the commander of the 8th U.S. Army in Korea when he was killed in the wreck of his jeep near Seoul on Dec. 23, 1950.

**Weather forecast****Daegu****MARCH 27**

**Hi Low**  
**63 F 41 F**  
**17 C 5 C**

**Seoul****MAR 28**

**Hi Low**  
**61 F 45 F**  
**16 C 7 C**

**MAR 29**

**Hi Low**  
**56 F 45 F**  
**13 C 7 C**

**Chaplain's Corner**

by Chaplain (Col.) Michael W. Malone

**"Guilt is a signal"**

Someone once told me, "Chaplain, all religion is about is making people feel guilty." Normal guilt is a feeling ordinary people have when they have done something wrong. Those who do not experience guilt are sociopaths. When you visit a physician, the nurse usually puts a thermometer in your mouth to check your body's temperature. This gives the physician necessary information to make a diagnosis. Normal guilt gives us important information. When I have done something wrong and feel guilt, I know I need to do something. I usually need to confess a sin to the Lord. At other times I additionally have to apologize to someone I have wronged. The Bible tells us everyone has sinned. Scriptures also tell us: "If we confess our sins, he [God] is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9)."

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## Stay alert, stay safe

Story by  
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Soldiers are exposed to various dangers in their everyday life. Most of the time, these are trivial, but sometimes the matters can grow into serious problems. Members of the Safety Office are here at CP Oscar to ensure the safety of Soldiers during RSO&I.

"We are here to provide on-site 'real world' safety support for the RSO&I exercise," said Mr. James Hill, safety manager for 8th U.S. Army. "CP Oscar presents high-risk for injuries due to trips and falls over cable, wires, and other objects. The potential for vehicle accidents is also high due to administrative movement of vehicles in support of exercise participants."

He also added that these risks could increase as the exercise comes to an end.

"The potential for accidents will increase toward the end of the exercise because personnel may take shortcuts in their hurry to get home. Also, post exercise activities present risk in alcohol consumption and other activities."

Hill suggested some ways of preventing these safety problems.

"We must maintain a high level of safety awareness and do things in accordance with approved standards," said Hill. "Leaders must be proactive in enforcing standards by making on-the-spot corrections when observing unsafe practices. Safety personnel must maintain visibility in high-risk areas. The command climate must be proactive in promoting safety a command priority."

Overall, Hill emphasized the importance of safety and awareness throughout the exercise.

"Safety is important because of impacts of readiness. Loss of resources in personnel and equipment can impact on the war fighting capabilities of the 8th Army. You should always remember that accidents could happen to anyone at anytime, anywhere."

## Voice of Warriors: *What is the last thing that comes to your mind when you go to sleep?*



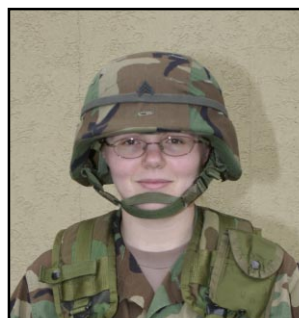
Cpt. Joseph Thomas  
Automation Officer  
8th U.S. Army G-6

*"I think about the things I need to make sure I do when I report for my next shift."*



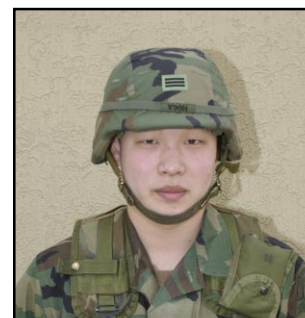
Master Sgt. Billy McDuffie  
Avn NCOIC  
8th U.S. Army G-3

*"My Soldiers who continue to work the night shift. The Soldiers here lay the foundation for unity in preparing forces for RSO&I."*



Sgt. Rachel Hayhurst  
Tactical Network Controller  
311th TSC

*"My 10-month old daughter smiling at me! I really miss my daughter."*



Cpl. Yoon, Woo-joong  
CP Oscar Guard  
8th U.S. Army Band

*"I think that war should never break out in this land. It will be so terrible to come down here due to a war breakout."*





# KATUSA/U.S. Soldiers' Friendship Week

Story by  
Pfc. Yum, Tae-sung

Between mid April to mid May every year, all KATUSA and U.S. Soldiers get a chance to spend a week participating in various games, sports, and events together. This week is called the KATUSA-U.S. Soldiers' Friendship Week.

The week was designed to show Eighth Army's appreciation for the service rendered by the KATUSA and to narrow the gap between the two different cultures.

The event began in 1977 to reward KATUSA Soldiers' service, uplift morale and strengthen the bond between

ROK-U.S. Soldiers. This year, it has reached its 28th anniversary.

The ROKA Support Group is making every effort to help Soldiers understand the significance of this celebration. Each year, there are programs that introduce Korean traditional ethnic customs to U.S. Soldiers. Through these programs, U.S. Soldiers can be accustomed to Korea and understand the Korean culture better. Furthermore, Soldiers from both



Photo by Sgt. Kang, Byung-sam

*Two U.S. Soldiers play Ssireum, Korean traditional wrestling, during the KATUSA/U.S.'s Friendship Week last year.*

nations can build a closer relationship by participating in sports events as a team.

The ROKA Support Group always tries to make new, unique and beneficial events, accepting suggestions from Soldiers. For example, the 20th Support Group, located in Daegu, plans to show the famous Korean movie 'Taegukgi' in English subtitles.

"From the KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week, the U.S. Soldiers can get a correct understanding of the KATUSA program and KATUSA Soldiers," said Capt. Lee, Soo-yeon, plans and operations officer, ROKA Support Group. "This event can enhance the relationship between the Soldiers. When their friendship is promoted, this will make the unity firmer, which will reinforce ROK-U.S. combined combat capability."



Photo by Sgt. Jang, Seung-mo

*KATUSA and U.S. Soldiers work together in a tug of war competition during the KATUSA/U.S. Friendship Week last year.*